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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2015–16 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 2653

**Introduced by Assembly Members Eduardo Garcia, Eggman,
Cristina Garcia, and Gomez**

February 19, 2016

An act to amend Section 39720 of the Health and Safety Code, relating to greenhouse gases.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2653, as amended, Eduardo Garcia. Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund: report.

The California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006 establishes the State Air Resources Board as the state agency responsible for monitoring and regulating sources of emissions of greenhouse gases. The act authorizes the state board to include the use of market-based compliance mechanisms. Existing law requires all moneys, except for fines and penalties, collected by the state board from a market-based compliance mechanism to be deposited in the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund and to be available upon appropriation by the Legislature. Existing law requires the Department of Finance to annually submit a report to the appropriate committees of the Legislature on the status of the projects funded with moneys from the fund.

This bill would require the department to include additional information in its annual report to the Legislature, including, among other things, the greenhouse gas emissions reductions attributable to each project and the geographic location, industry sector, and number of employees of the business entities, as defined, receiving moneys from the fund. The bill would require state agencies expending moneys from the fund to condition the acceptance of those moneys on the recipient providing information necessary to meet the reporting requirements.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 39720 of the Health and Safety Code is
2 amended to read:
3 39720. (a) Notwithstanding Section 10231.5 of the
4 Government Code, the Department of Finance shall submit an
5 annual report to the appropriate committees of the Legislature on
6 the status of projects funded pursuant to this part and their
7 outcomes.
8 (b) (1) The report, at a minimum, shall include all of the
9 following:
10 (A) The greenhouse gas emissions reductions attributable to
11 each project.
12 (B) *The environmental and public health benefits, as applicable,*
13 *attributable to each project.*
14 ~~(B)~~
15 (C) Actions and outcomes from those actions taken to assist
16 residents of disadvantaged communities, as identified pursuant to
17 Section 39711, and other target populations with the business,
18 employment, and training opportunities offered through activities
19 funded in whole or in part with moneys from the fund.
20 ~~(C)~~
21 (D) The geographic location, industry sector, and number of
22 employees of the business entities receiving moneys from the fund.
23 ~~(D)~~
24 (E) The number of jobs created, including wage levels, by the
25 business entities receiving moneys from the fund. Wage levels

1 shall be reported in ranges determined by the state board in
2 consultation with the California Environmental Protection Agency.

3 ~~(E)~~

4 (F) The amount of other public or private moneys leveraged
5 with investments from the fund.

6 (2) The California Workforce Development Board and the
7 Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development may
8 identify the other target populations referenced in subparagraph
9 ~~(B)~~ (C) of paragraph (1).

10 (3) Subparagraphs ~~(C)~~ and ~~(D)~~ (D) and (E) of paragraph (1)
11 shall apply only to investments made after February 1, 2017.

12 (c) State agencies expending moneys pursuant to this chapter
13 shall condition the acceptance of those moneys on the recipient
14 providing the information necessary to meet the reporting
15 requirements of this section. Program data received for the purposes
16 of meeting the requirements of this section shall be available to
17 the public and may be provided separately from the report.

18 (d) A report submitted pursuant to subdivision (a) shall be
19 submitted in compliance with Section 9795 of the Government
20 Code.

21 (e) The Secretary for Environmental Protection shall post a link
22 to the report on the state's primary climate change and Greenhouse
23 Gas Reduction Fund Internet Web site, as determined by the
24 secretary.

25 (f) For purposes of this section, the following definitions apply:

26 (1) "Business entity" means any firm operating in the state as
27 a nonprofit, sole proprietorship, general partnership, limited
28 partnership, limited liability partnership, limited liability company,
29 or corporation.

30 (2) "Target populations" means communities and groups of
31 individuals that experience high levels of unemployment or
32 poverty.